

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 549 – HB 985

March 5, 2013

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Prohibits non-citizens from being admitted to polling places. Requires all poll watchers to be United States citizens.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (004172): Adds language authorizing certain non-citizens to be admitted to a polling place when assisting a voter.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- According to the Division of Elections, currently election officials must be registered voters and therefore United States citizens. There will be no impact on the Division.
- Authorizing certain individuals to enter the polling place will not have a significant fiscal impact on state or local government.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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